

FW: Meeting Request

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Mr. Funderburk –

Thank you for your note. I will let the attorney's respond to your questions on the rules around ex parte communications for regulated companies and why all parties of record are permitted by law to be present. I would like to respond to your other concerns though.

■ I understand from our consulting engineer, Kevin Strickland, that he met with you and 2 other members of your team on Monday advising that we were seeing our smoke come out of the City's storm drain system and that the next step would be to dye test. He advises that you discussed maps and that he said he would need permission to dye test and that he was told that it was fine and to let you know if he needed anything else and the city would do whatever it takes to help. He was surprised to hear of your concern as he did not understand that he would need further permission or coordination, but we are happy to do that. Who should he be working with? As you can imagine, chasing underground pipes is a fluid and dynamic situation, so we will need someone assigned and available full time.

■ Regarding the golf course, our team was onsite today within our easements associated with our pipes. We advised that we did not need the hole shut down and the gentlemen made the decision to close the hole anyway. I understand that began the work with the golf course and everyone is working together.. I agree we should have started with the manager though.

■ We appear to have a communication gap in your communication with Rick and Tom. Rick was unable to locate any communication asking to meet with him and your note to Tom mentioned that you were available if he needed anything but he did not understand it was an urgent request to meet. We have been keeping the Mayor abreast of our activities and contacting you has absolutely been on Rick's list, regardless of invitation or not, but as you can imagine there are a lot of competing urgent priorities right now. Rick will be calling you immediately (if he hasn't already).

We look forward to continuing to work together to resolve this issue.

Thanks

Lisa